



Why Not RFK?

- **We made a promise to MLB to build a stadium downtown – if we break the promise a new deal with MLB must be struck, jeopardizing baseball in D.C.**
- There is minimal economic benefit to building near the old RFK Stadium
 - available land near RFK is owned by the U.S. Park Service which has publicly stated its' opposition to commercial development.
 - A significant part of RFK is in a flood plain.
- A new ballpark at RFK would sit on isolated land and do nothing to help the city.
- The District has already invested over \$60M in the South Capitol site that would be wasted.

	South Capitol	RFK
Ballpark Cost		
Hard Cost of Ballpark	\$315 Million	\$315 Million
Economic Development		
Stimulation of Private Development	Yes \$2-3 Billion	Uncertain
Retail/Entertainment Development	Yes 2 Million SF	Very Little
Annual Taxes Stimulated by Ballpark	Yes \$50-75 Million/Yr	Uncertain <\$10 Million
Community Benefits		
Provides Much-needed Town Center for isolated SE/SW DC	Yes	No
New Affordable Housing Units	Yes	Uncertain
Retail, Entertainment, & Cultural Core Created	Yes	Not Likely
\$450 Million Community Benefits Fund	Yes	No